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Streamlined International Applications Accepted For Filing

Section 214 Applications (47 CFR §§ 63.18, 63.24); Section 310(b) Petitions (47 CFR § 1.5000)

Unless otherwise specified, the following procedures apply to the applications listed below:

The international section 214 applications listed below have been found, upon initial review, to be acceptable for filing and subject to the streamlined processing procedures set forth in section 63.12 of the Commission's rules. 47 CFR § 63.12. These applications are for authority under section 214 of the Communications Act, to transfer control of an authorized carrier or to assign a carrier's existing authorization; and/or (b) to become a facilities-based international common carrier; and/or (c) to become a resale-based international common carrier. 47 U.S.C. § 214(a).

Pursuant to section 63.12 of the rules, these applications will be granted 14 days after the date of this public notice (see 47 CFR § 1.4 regarding computation of time), and the applicant may commence operations on the 15th day, unless the Commission has informed the applicant in writing, within 14 days after the date of this public notice, that the application, on further examination, has been deemed ineligible for streamlined processing. Pursuant to Section 1.1910(b)(2) of the rules, action will be withheld on any application by any entity found to be delinquent in its debts to the Commission. Applicants should check the Red Light Display System's website at www.fcc.gov/redlight to determine if they are delinquent in a debt to the Commission and for information on how to pay the debt. 47 CFR § 1.1910(b)(2).

Communications between outside parties and Commission staff concerning these applications are permitted subject to the Commission's rules for "permit-but-disclose proceedings." See 47 CFR § 1.1206. An application can be removed from streamlined processing only in the sound discretion of Commission staff. The filing of comments or a petition to deny will not necessarily result in an application being deemed ineligible for streamlined processing.

People with Disabilities: To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530. All applications listed are subject to further consideration and review, and may be returned and/or dismissed if not found to be in accordance with the Commission's rules, regulations, and other requirements.

We request that comments on any of these applications refer to the application file number shown below.

Transfer of Control

Current Licensee: Northwest Missouri Cellular Limited Partnership

FROM: Northwest Missouri Cellular Limited Partnership

TO: ALLTEL Corporation

Northwest Missouri Cellular Limited Partnership d/b/a NorthwestCell (NWMC), a Delaware limited partnership that holds an international section 214 authorization (ITC-214-20010427-00255), has filed an application seeking consent to the transfer of control of NWMC resulting from the conversion of limited partnership interests in NWMC held by Alltel Corporation (Alltel) into general partnership interests. Alltel currently holds 38.05% limited partnership interests in NWMC and no general partnership interests. The other partners of NWMC are Missouri Stateline Communications, Inc., an Iowa corporation (approx. 20.44% general partnership interest and 0.21% limited partnership interest); Rock Port Telephone Company, a Missouri company (approx. 20.45% general partnership interest and 0.21% limited partnership interest); and Grand River Communications, Inc., a Missouri corporation (approx. 20.44% general partnership interest and 0.21% limited partnership interest).

Prior to September 17, 2020, each of NWMC's four partners, including Alltel, held both general partnership and limited partnership interests. On that date, the partners amended the partnership agreement to convert the general partnership interest held by Alltel in NWMC to a limited partnership interest through a pro forma transfer of control. See ITC-T/C-20200922-00170, International Authorizations Granted, Report No. TEL-02049, Public Notice, 35 FCC Rcd 11513, 11514 (IB 2020). The partners now seek consent to return NWMC to its pre-2020 ownership, whereby Alltel will hold both general partnership and limited partnership interests in NWMC. Specifically, Alltel will hold approx. 23.39% general partnership interest and 14.66% limited partnership interest in NWMC. The proposed transaction will not change the interests held by the other partners.

Alltel, a Delaware corporation, is wholly owned by AirTouch Cellular Inc. (Airtouch), a California corporation. Airtouch is wholly owned by Verizon Americas LLC, which in turn is wholly owned by Verizon Communications, Inc. (Verizon), both Delaware corporations. No individual or entity holds a 10% or greater direct or indirect equity or voting interest in Verizon.

REMINDERS:

Applicants must certify that neither the applicant nor any party to the application is subject to a denial of federal benefits by federal and/or state courts under authority granted in 21 U.S.C. § 862. See 47 CFR §§ 1.2001-1.2003.